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A GREAT DANGER.

passed upon at the election on the fourth stroy the most sacred right that belongs to class of men or politicians in Virginia who ators would be hopelessly helpless. claim to be Democrats, but who are plotting to destroy in our State one of the the Norfolk and Western railroad to follow provision restricting suffrage. They are their real purpose by the specious plea of as Castner & Curran, of Philadelphia. securing a more economical administration To those acquainted with the facts it office every day.

The horns and hoofs are too conspicuous Are we to have popular government or a well give a tremenduous vote against the disfranchise a large class of our citizens. for like results the world over.

Kentucky to succeed J. C. S. Blackburn. The Republicans had nominated candi- for the customers. Then came his second withdrawal, which was succeeded by the nomination and election of Deboe. The newly elected Senator in tory of Kentucky that a Republican Senator has been elected from that State to the their respective localities. votes, will vote with the Republicans on organization, Vice. President Hobart's casting vote will determine the result.

tion is concluded I believe that the almost as well as the islands of the sea? unanimous voice of the people will call upon-him again to take the reins of gov- regulated by competition; but no steam sessed of a strong form of Cleveland luna- coal gets more. That the coal sold at a low cy. It was then the arch-enemy of Pop- figure, while the miners complain, the ulism. In 1896 it was full of hate for Cleveland and took Populism in its warm em- Castner & Curran have no responsibility; structure will be 200 feet long and will have brace. There is no telling what it will do that is regulated by the freight charged by an octagonal dome about 75 feet high and

shortest route to suicide the Democrats a further reduction of the coal freight becould take" would be to obstruct the pas- came absolutely necessary. Nor are Castsage of the Dingley bill. It looks very ner & Curran responsible for the price much like some of them are disposed to along the line; that is fixed by the railroad Like billousness, dyspepsia, headache, consti take this step. If the Republicans should tariff, with which they have nothing to do.

It has been sought to held the result of the result of

from the Washington Post which is from that some of the operators are jealous of The only Pill to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The Tazewell Republican the pen of Henry Watterson. It is the what they consider their partiality towards severest criticism of Mr. Cleveland we

Pacahontas Coal.

Editor Tazewell REPUBLICAN:

Having had something to do with the introduction of Northern capital into Virginia to develop the coal and iron resources which had lain dormant both in the colony and in the State, for the want of home enterprise and capital, I ask the use of your 1 25 columns to say a word in defense of those Virginias to help us, and who, instead of them, after charging a moderate guarantee reaping a rich harvest, have, in very many cases, lost all they had invested.

After the Norfolk and Western railroad, which was rebuilt and extended, not by our own capital but by capital drawn from that after the investments have been made the North and from Europe, had opened up the great Flat Top coal fields, the Southwest Virginia Improvement Company and ome smaller operations, undertook to in-Too much cannot be said or written troduce the coal into the markets of this that there are among us, those who would about the importance of the State constitu- country and abroad, but with the great excite the envy and jealousy of the people tional convention question that is to be competition they met on every hand, were unable to make much progress

You must know that some of the greatest Thursday in this month. The REPUBLICAN railroads in the United States are vitally has sought earnestly to awaken its readers interested in the sale of their coals, notably to the danger that confronts the voters of the Pennsylvania System, the Baltimore Virginia, a danger that threatens to de- and Ohio, and the Chesapeake and Ohio, west, and that without the active co-operfreemen-the right to vote. There is a ation of the railroads, the individual oper-

It was therefore absolutely necessary for the example of all other coal carrying cardinal doctrines of the old time Democ- roads and practically assist the operators. racy-universal manhood suffrage. Their To do this, the Pocahontas Coal Company A Southern Sound Money Newspapes object is to disfranchise a large number of was formed, to sell at a small commission, the voters of Virginia by a constitutional the products of the field; a commission which, as it had to cover the guarantee of Ric the sale, was a small one. The company advocating property and educational qual- also found it necessary, notwithstanding the sound money Democrats "who sup ifications for voting, not for any good that the superiority of the coal, to find a relia-ported McKinley either by voting for him will accrue to the public, but for the fur- ble firm with the necessary capital and ex- directly, or indirectly by voting for Palmer therance of their nefarious designs to re- perience combined, to handle the coal in and Buckner, are no more in favor with tain absolute control of the politics and offices of the State. They try to conceal lished house of Castner & Co., since known cans." He also notes the fact that the

seems ridiculous to talk of the Pocahontas Coal Company as a great monopoly.

for them to successfully disguise their sa- duced 4,000,000 tons. We believe this is were actuated by principles and had no tatanic scheme. In some sections of the their maximum output. While the total hope or desire for office as a reward for State they do not try to hide their true ob- product of the United States was 118,120. their services. The bare suggestion of this ject—the disfranchisement of the illiterate 405 short tons, valued at \$107,653,501 at Washington correspondent is utterly reand poor men, white and colored. They the mines. I give these figures to show pulsive to us, and, we feel sure, to the hope to win, and success may be secured by who undertook to develop the Virginia If the movement which was inaugurated at 1. carelessness or indifference of the vo- mines had to contend. That the Pocahon- Indianapolis was a movemet for the spoils ters to the situation. We have no doubt tas Coal Company was not a great monop of office then it was a fraud, for the conthe usual frauds upon the ballot box will oly, reaping rich harvests, was equally vention distinctly declared that its memalso prevail in the black belt in furtherance shown when it went into liquidation be- bers had no desire whatever for office, cause it did not pay to keep it up. .

Commonwealth, be he Democrat or Re- Castner & Curran, and thereby preventing under the sun why President McKinley publican, ought to awaken to the danger other houses from coming to help us in de- should bestow office on those Democrats which threatens free suffrage in Virginia, veloping our inexhaustible and still latent who refused to support Bryan, and so far factors, for a more generous, liberal and money movement the President would government controlled by a few, a pre- honest as well as enterprising firm does rather incur their displeasure by appointing ferred class of citizens? Shall the mon- not exist in this country. In the years, sound money Democrats to office under strous scheme of Martin, Otey and other that they have sold millions of tons of coal his administration. tricksters win? Let the freemen of Taze. for Flat Top operators, not one man has The sound money Democrats have but undemocratic and unrepublican effort to ate, compared to the commission charged and such execution of laws as shall best

After a protracted and remarkable hold of Pocahontas coal. In the last days cratic party wants. President McKinley struggle William J. Deboe was on the 28th of August, 1883, they made their first ship- understands this and those who continually uit, elected United States Senator from ment, and since then the rapid growth of prate of "McKinley ignoring" the memthe Pocahontas coal business has been bers of that party do not seem to see that phenomenal, considering the want of facil- the President is paying the party the The election was made on the sixteenth ities of transportation along a one track highest possible tribute in not offering its ballot of the last session of the Legislature road, and has attracted the attention of members reward of office for the part they and the one hundred and twelfth the business world. Through their unsur- took in the recent campaign. ballo: taken to elect Blackburn's successor. passed and liberal management, the demand became greater than the supply in a On the last ballot the vote was: Deboe, short time, and the railroad could not 71; Blackburn, 50; Martin, 13; Stone, 1. haul the coal to the seaboard fast enough

dates four times for the office. Hunter The railroad was promptly paid its was nominated first and withdrew. St. freights on delivery of the coal at Norfolk, John Boyle was nominated after Hunter and was thus kept in funds to pay all of its contract for the foundation and area walls many employees; and when you realize of the new Mint building at Philadelphia withdrew. When the late, extra session, that the railroad freight for tidewater coal will probably be let within the next month. was convened by Gov. Bradley, Hunter is not less than two-thirds the price the of Acting Supervising Architect Kemper was nominated again. Many ballots were | coal, it will then be seen of what advan- stated to-day that the detail plans and taken, but he could not secure an election. tage the capital of this house was to our specifications neccessary for bidders were Virginia people.

The advertising of this firm was some- would advertise for bids in about two weeks. thing marvelous. No expense was spared | The contract will be a large one, as the stands squarely on the St. Louis platform, painting, and souvenirs were sent, not neccessarily be of the most substantial for a high protective tariff and sound only throughout the Eastern and Southern character to sustain the marble supermoney. This is the first time in the his- Atlantic markets, but throughout the structure with all the heavy machinery world. The most energetic and intelligent required in the Mint. The heaviest of this agents were employed to push the coal in machinery will be placed in the basement.

Senate. His party at Washington needs We have no individual operation or that the new building could not be erected him. There is a deadlock there which mining company in the Flat Top region too speedily to meet the want of the Govern-Deboe may be able to break. With him with the capital or the courage to have unseated the Republicans will have 43 staunch dertaken such a risk. No doubt Pocahon- inadequate and the force there is working tas coal has superior qualities, but business to disadvantage in very cramped quarters. men in the Senate. There are vacancies men know that it takes something besides Had it not been for the Democratic policy in Oregon and Florida, and 44 votes will good quality to introduce an article into off holding back buildings authorized and tie the Senate. If Senator Kyle, of South the markets when opposed by unlimited appropriated for by Congress the new Dakota, who was elected by Republican competition, backed by stupenduous capi-

Does any one suppose that those who are exciting the prejudice of the people against Messrs. Castner & Curran could have introduced this Virginia coal into the American and some of the foreign navies, and on come here to work until the Fall, when Is an interview in London on the 27th lean and some of the foreign haves, and they return to Europe, has begun. Thursteen the ocean greyhounds of the merchant mathematical they return to Europe, has begun. ult, ex-Ambassador Bayard said, "Mr. rine, and have captured the cream of the day 1160 were landed at Ellis Island, New Cleveland is the logical leader of the Dem- New England market, and even sent this York, and on four vessels the following day ocracy, and before the present administra- coal to England, Italy and Cape de Verde, there were 2900 others.

Castner & Curran could not regulate the prices at which the coal was sold. That is ernment." There is no telling what the coal commands a higher price in the same Democracy will do. In 1892, it was pos- market, and in many cases Pocahontas

the railroad over which they have no con- 60 feet in diameter. It will cost about trol; and that the railroad charged a min- \$100,000. The Atlanta Constitution says "the by its being forced into bankruptcy, when

It has been sought to hold Castner & fail to pass the measure as a result of Demoeratic obstruction, the responsibility will tween the Southwest Virginia Improverest upon the Democrats for the failure to ment Company and Col. Browning's operators. They had nothing to do with it; and no one has been treated with greater easily and thor WE publish in another column an article Col. Browning; indeed, I happen to know Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

after all they have expended in time and neans in giving name and fame and popularity to Pocahontas coal, and all that they are now doing to keep it in the market against powerful and vindictive competi tion, and for which, up to this time, they have not had the returns which the sam capital and energy would have obtained in other fields; that individuals who have done comparatively nothing, should profit by their expense and labor and try to un dermine them by promising the operators Mill Products, Provisions, who have placed their millions in the two an advance on what they are able to net

It is discouraging to those who have labored hard to get capital to come into Virginia to develop our resources, to find, and comparative prosperity brought to different sections, and some of our peopl lifted from the very deformity of poverty, for themselves, their wives and children

It will be a dark day for the Flat Top coal section if the present arrangement with Castner & Curran is broken up. They are strate to us that in union is strength and that the weak and struggling operators, by in the East, besides many in the North- pooling their productions, will prevent an unhealthy competition among themselves, and thus be able to meet, with some de gree of success, the fierce competition of VIRGINIAN.

A SENSIBLE VIEW.

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Such a firm was found in the old estab- pure ex-Confederate Southern Republi gold Democrats are being removed from

it raises its head. Those Democrats who In 1894 the Pocahontas coal field pro- refused to support the Chicago platform with what wealth and competition those great majority of sound money Democrats. of these plans. Every true man in the Now, instead of Virginia people abusing principles of Democray. There is no reason resources, they should hold them as bene- from pleasing the managers of the sound

lost a dollar, and the commission they have one thing to ask of the Republican party, charged for sale and guarantee, is moder- and that it will give the country such laws promote the interests and welfare of the It was a fortunate thing that this house, whole people. Office holding is entirely which had made such a grand success in out of the question. Good government ng anthracite, was induced to take and that only is what the National Demo

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Director of the Mint Preston said to-day

GENERAL NEWS.

The influx of Italian immigrants, who those who know how.

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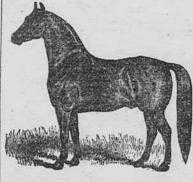
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